



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**In re Application of:**

Kleimer et al.

**Serial No.:** 09/976,228

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**For:** RATE CONTROLLING  
MEMBRANES FOR CONTROLLED DRUG  
DELIVERY DEVICES

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**Examiner:** D. Stitzel

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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Office Action mailed May 13, 2005, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on August 13, 2005.

**Amendments to the Title** appear on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.

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**IN THE TITLE:**

The title has been amended herein. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121 and 1.125 (as amended to date), please enter the title as amended.

RATE CONTROLLING MEMBRANES FOR CONTROLLED DRUG DELIVERY DEVICES  
AND METHODS FOR PROCESSING